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**IN THE CLAIMS**

1. (original) A method for inspecting a uniformity of pressure applied between a conditioner and a polishing pad on a chemical mechanical polisher, the method comprising the steps of:  
placing a sheet of pressure sensitive material between the conditioner and the  
5 polishing pad,  
lowering the conditioner onto the sheet of pressure sensitive material,  
applying a desired degree of pressure between the conditioner and the polishing  
pad, thereby creating an impression in the sheet of pressure sensitive  
material,  
10 lifting the conditioner from the sheet of pressure sensitive material, and  
inspecting the sheet of pressure sensitive material to determine the uniformity of  
the pressure applied between the conditioner and the polishing pad.
2. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of correcting

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